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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR COMMITTEE
OF THE STATE BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND
FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF THE CERTIFICATION OF

Administrative Action

JOHN W. TUTTLE

CONSENT ORDER

TO PRACTICE ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELING IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened before the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee of the New Jersey State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners (hereinafter "the Committee"), upon review of a report from the Criminal History Review Unit advising the Committee that the respondent had been charged with unlawfully exercising control of movable property of another, in that he used another person's credit card without the owner's permission.

Respondent appeared before the Committee, with his attorney David A. Stefankiewicz, Esq. on July 28, 2005. Respondent testified that he was arrested on December 23, 2005, after he had illegally purchased merchandise on an unauthorized charge card. The criminal charges were dismissed after he satisfactorily completed a mandatory municipal educational program. Respondent testified that at the time

he committed the crime he was experiencing very difficult personal changes in his life and that he made a tremendous mistake.

The Committee having considered respondent's testimony to be credible, that he has completed all the mandates of the criminal process regarding his misconduct and the charges were dismissed, that he understands the implications of his misconduct and has shown remorse; and the Committee finding that the following disposition of this matter is adequately protective of the public, and other good cause appearing;

IT IS THEREFORE ON THIS 18 DAY OF August, 2006 ORDERED:

- 1. Respondent is reprimanded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f) for engaging in acts constituting a crime and which relate adversely to the profession and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:34C-3.4 for failing to report his misconduct to the Committee.
- 2. Respondent shall cease and desist from engaging in any conduct in violation of any laws of the State of New Jersey, the United States and their political subdivisions whether criminal or civil, as well as all regulations, rules or laws pertaining to the practice of alcohol and drug counseling.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR COMMITTEE OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS

By: Edward Reading Committee Chair, LCADC

I have read the above order

and I understand and agree to abide by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Committee of Alcohol and Drug Counselors of the Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners to enter this Order.

Consent as to form and entry of within Consent Order.

David A. Stefankiawicz Attorney for John W. Tuttle